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SUBJECT: KHARTOUM ASSASSINATIONS - FONMIN KHALID'S
PRESS STATEMENT

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1. IN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW APRIL 3 WITH KURIER
EDITOR NUSSBAUMER, SUDANESE FONMIN KHALID STATED
PALESTINIANS TERRORISTS ARE FACING CHARGES BUT
WAS NON-COMMITTAL AS TO BEGINNING OF TRIAL AND
VAGUELY ALLUDED TO POSSIBILITY OF RELEASE.
RELEVANT QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOLLOW:

2. KURIER: YOUR CAPITAL, KHARTOUM, WAS THE SCENE
LAST YEAR OF A BLOODY ASSASSINATION ATTACK BY
PALESTINIAN GUERILLAS. WHAT HAS BECOME OF THE
TERRORISTS? WHY HAS NO ARAB COUNTRY DARED TO HOLD
A TRIAL OF GUERILLAS SO FAR?

KHALID: I CAN TELL YOU THAT THOSE ASSASSINS
ARE BEFORE THE COURT. IT IS UP TO THE JUDGE TO
DECIDE WHEN THE TRIAL IS TO START. THE EUROPEANS
SHOULD NOT REMIND US THAT GUERILLAS ARE NOT FOUND
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GUILTY. FOR THEY THEMSELVES HAVE RELEASED MANY

PALESTINIAN FIGHTERS PRIOR TO A TRIAL.

KURIER: BUT ALWAYS UNDER THE PRESSURE OF
EXTORTION.

KHALID: THAT IS JUST IT, THEN WHAT DO YOU
WANT FROM US?HUMES

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